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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, SHUM, SF
SUBJECT: DETAINED SSRC LEADER MONTSISI

REF: STATE 98257

1. ACCORDING TO SOURCE WITH "PRISON TELEPHONE SYSTEM"
(SHUN CHETTY), MONTSISI IS ALL RIGHT AND AWAITING
COURT APPEARANCE NEXT MONTH. DEVILLIERS' EARLIER
COMMENTS APPARENTLY VERIFIED, BUT MONTSISI IS
PRESENTLY IN GOOD HEALTH AND NOT BEING MISTREATED.

2. MONTSISI'S CASE, TOGETHER WITH A NUMBER OF OTHERS,
WILL BE HEARD SOMETIME IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS. IT
WILL ESSENTIALLY BE "SSRC VS THE STATE" TRIAL AS ALL
THOSE CHARGED ARE OR WERE MEMBERS OF THE SOWETO
STUDENTS REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL. THEY PRESENTLY ARE
DETAINED UNDER SECTION 6 OF THE TERRORISM ACT.

3. CONGEN BELIEVES, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH LOCAL
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DEFENSE ATTORNEYS, THAT LAWYER'S COMMITTEE REPRESENTA-
TIONS AT THIS TIME ARE PREMATURE. CONGEN WILL ADVISE
WHEN COURT APPEARANCE SCHEDULED AND WHAT CHARGES ARE
LAID AGAINST MONTSISI ET AL AT THAT TIME. SUGGEST
LAWYER'S COMMITTEE WAIT AT LEAST UNTIL MONTSISI HAS
MADE INITIAL COURT APPEARANCE.
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